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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Santa Monica – Man Arrested for Starting Fire During Civil Disturbance

(U) A West Hills man was arrested this morning on federal charges alleging he started a fire that caused substantial damage to a restaurant in Santa Monica. Micah Tillmon, 19, was arrested without incident yesterday by special agents with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and officers with the Santa Monica Police Department. According to the affidavit in support of the criminal complaint, security video from the restaurant shows Tillmon removing an object from his jacket and placing it in the restaurant before walking away. Within seconds of that action, smoke and fire appeared from the area.

SOURCE: 2 July 2020, [DOJ](#)

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) California – Methamphetamine Seized at Border Patrol Checkpoints

(U) Salton City – El Centro Sector Border Patrol agents seized methamphetamine at the Highway 86 checkpoint yesterday morning. A search of the vehicle revealed 17 packages hidden inside the vehicle's rear passenger seat. The incident occurred at approximately 8:50 a.m., when a man driving a green Kia Soul approached the checkpoint for inspection. A Border Patrol canine detection team alerted to the vehicle. Agents sent the vehicle to secondary inspection for further investigation. The substance inside the packages tested positive for the characteristics of methamphetamine.

SOURCE: 2 July 2020, [CBP](#)

(U) NATIONAL

(U) Oregon – Protest Turns Violent, Several Arrested

(U) Portland – Several people were arrested after a demonstration turned violent in downtown Portland and resulted in damage to two government buildings, authorities said today. Protests have occurred regularly in the city since the May killing of George Floyd in Minneapolis. Police said in a statement that protesters broke into the Justice Center and broke glass doors to the federal courthouse nearby. They threw cans of food, large rocks and commercial-grade fireworks at federal officers who responded to the scene. Protesters also set a fire on the street.

SOURCE: 2 July 2020, [AP](#)

(U) Washington – Seattle Police Arrest 10 After Clashes in Cleared CHOP Zone

(U) Seattle – Police clashed with protesters after being attacked with rocks, bottles and fireworks overnight Thursday in the now-cleared Capitol Hill Organized Protest zone. Police said 10 people were arrested after violence erupted at the intersection of Broadway and Pine Street. Helmeted police with bats and rifles forcibly cleared the so-called autonomous zone Wednesday after the mayor ordered the response following two recent fatal shootings.

SOURCE: 2 July 2020, [Fox](#)

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Mali – 33 Villagers Killed in Attacks In Central Mali This Week

(U) Mopti – Armed men who identified themselves as jihadists attacked farming villages in Mali’s central Mopti region this week, killing at least 33 people and wounding at least five, local officials said today. The attackers arrived on motorcycles Wednesday, killing men who were returning from their fields a local mayor said. No group has claimed responsibility for the attacks, but they bear the mark of the Fulani armed groups who have been targeting Dogon farmers they accuse of being allied with militias close to the government.

SOURCE: 3 July 2020, [The Star](#)

(U) United Kingdom – Woman Given Life for Plot To Blow Up St. Paul's Cathedral

(U) London -- A woman was jailed for life, with a minimum sentence of 14 years, on Friday for plotting to blow up London's St. Paul’s Cathedral, a nearby hotel and a subway train in a suicide attack. Safiyya Shaikh, 37, extensively researched how to cause maximum carnage at the historic church and visitor attraction. Police said she had planned to leave a bomb in a bag at the cathedral before detonating a suicide vest on a London Underground train. Her defense lawyers said she had doubts about the plot, but prosecutors disclosed details of a call she made to a friend from prison last week in which she said she “didn’t get cold feet” and “was ready to go through with it.”

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